

1048. CITRULLUS VULGARIS.**Watermelon.**

From Uman Horticultural School, Russia. Received through Prof. N. E. Hansen, May 24, 1898. (1 package.)

A yellow-skinned variety exhibited at Kief fair, September, 1897. Seed given by Yaroslav Niemetz, Vinnitza, Podolia.

1049. CERATONIA SILIQUA.**St. John's Bread.**

From Nizhni Novgorod, Russia. Received through Prof. N. E. Hansen, May 24, 1898. (8 packages.) Bought from a Persian merchant at Nizhni Novgorod fair.

The carob. The sweet-fleshed pods are used for food in Italy and the Orient, and are supposed by some to have been used by John the Baptist. Often called Turkish or Persian locusts, or locust beans.

1050. CONRINGIA ORIENTALIS.**Hare's-ear mustard.**

From Valujka, Russia. Received through Prof. N. E. Hansen, May 24, 1898.

"Wild oil plant," collected by the peasants for the extraction of oil.

1051. KOELERIA CRISTATA.**Prairie June grass.**

From Valujka, Russia. Received through Prof. N. E. Hansen, May 24, 1898. (1 package.)

"Wild steppe grass." Cattle like it best mown; grass small; seed germinates slowly; perennial.

1052. FESTUCA ELATIOR.**Meadow fescue.**

From Valujka, Russia. Received through Prof. N. E. Hansen, May 24, 1898. (1 package.)

Grows wild in Valujka.

1053. TRITICUM VULGARE.**Wheat.**

From Uralsk, on the Ural River, Russia. Received through Prof. N. E. Hansen, May 24, 1898.

Turkestan variety.

1054. LATHYRUS TUBEROSUS.

From Rovnaya, Samara Province, Russia. Received through Prof. N. E. Hansen, May 24, 1898. (2 packages.)

Grows wild at Rovnaya.

1055. ELYMUS SABULOSUS.**Lyme grass.**

From Valujka, Russia. Received through Prof. N. E. Hansen, May 24, 1898. (1 package.)

Grows wild in Valujka. Very like *E. condensatus* of the Pacific slope.

1056. ASTRAGALUS.**Milk vetch.**

From St. Petersburg. Received through Prof. N. E. Hansen, May 24, 1898. (1 package.)

Not yet determined at St. Petersburg. Grows wild on sandy soil, and cattle like it. Hairy when old, but herbaceous when very young.

1057. VITIS VINIFERA.**Grape.**

From Kuldja, China. Received through Prof. N. E. Hansen, May 24, 1898.

Professor Hansen writes: "Mixed cuttings from a Chinese vineyard. I grew a few plants from these cuttings, which I carried with me in the overland journey."